

The Loudoun History Awards are sponsored by Thomas Balch Library Advisory Commission. They were established to recognize contributions of local historian, John Elbert Divine (1911-1996), in preserving Loudoun County history. Divine was recognized nationally for his knowledge and understanding of the Civil War and regionally for his willingness to share historical information with others. He authored two books in the Virginia Regimental Series on the Civil War: *The 8th Virginia Infantry* and *The 35th Battalion Virginia Cavalry*. He also edited *To Talk is Treason*, an account of Waterford during the Civil War, and co-authored *Loudoun County in the Civil War*. In addition, he co-founded Loudoun County Historical Society.

Loudoun History Awards highlight diverse aspects of the county's history. They honor individuals who have made significant contributions to preserving Loudoun's past through collection of county documents and memorabilia, preservation of historic landmarks, visual arts, writing and long-term involvement in local history organizations. Presented annually since 1993, except in 2000 when renovation of Thomas Balch Library prevented the event, these awards have recognized some of Loudoun County's best known historians, writers, preservationists, and conservationists.

## How to nominate:

Letters of nomination should include a brief statement in support of the individual's accomplishments, their mailing address, and be directed to:

Library Director, Thomas Balch Library
208 West Market Street
Leesburg, VA 20176

- Deadline for nominations is the second Monday of October.
- Selection is made by two members of Thomas Balch Library Advisory Commission and Thomas Balch Library Director.
- · Awardees are notified by the fourth week of October.
- The Awards Ceremony is held at Thomas Balch Library at 2PM on the second Sunday of November.
- Direct any questions to the Thomas Balch Library Director at 703-737-7195.

## Thomas Balch Library Advisory Commission Loudoun History Award recipients 1993-2011:

1993

John E. Divine Louisa S. Hutchison Carl McIntyre

Vinton Liddell Pickens

1994

Asa Moore Janney Werner L. Janney Charles Poland Eugene Scheel Frances Hazel Reid

1995
Ned Douglass
John G. Lewis
Frank Raflo

**Bronwen Souders** 

1996
Richard Gillespie
W. Hugh Grubb, Jr.
Kathleen McCormick
Meredith Bean McMath

1997
Ruth and Willard Bishop
Esther Rogers Cowart
Agnes Harrison and
B. Powell Harrison
Jane Norman

1998

Kim B. Holien
Ann Whitehead Thomas
Elaine E. Thompson
Landon O. Wynkoop
Loudoun County
Historical Society

members: Dr. Joeseph M. Rogers

Patricia R. Shoaf Wm. Emory Plaster

1999

Tracy Gillespie Joan Gillette Rokus Wynne Saffer Mary Alice Wertz

2000 No Award Given

Joni Crane
Mary Bettis Fishback
Deborah Lee
Dorothy K. Rickard
Loudoun Restoration
and Preservation
Society

2002

John Fishback
Olivia Marie Henry
Mattie Lassiter
William F. O'Keefe

2003

Evelyn Porterfield Johnson Betty Morefield

2004

Rachel Yarnell Thompson
Peggy Sands Drummond
Marty Hiatt
Carol Morris Dukes

2005

Patricia B. Duncan
Betty Whiting Flemming
Thomas D. Horne
Pauline Singletary

2006

Allen Cochran William H. Harrison Lee Daniel Kent Reginald Simms

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2007

Laurel Brigade restoration and preservation group Lou Etta Watkins

Cate Magennis Wyatt

2008

Mitch Diamond
Phil & Sandra Ehrenkranz
Stevan F. Meserve
James P. Roberts

2009

Anne Donovan Larson W. Brown Morton, III Henry G. Plaster Mary E. Randolph

2010

H. Vernon Davis Arlean Hill Lori Hinterleiter Kimball Margaret T. Morton

2011

Childs F. Burden
Taylor M. Chamberlin
Paul McCray
John M. Souders